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## UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL (37 CFR. § 1.53(b))

(Regular application claiming priority of a provisional)

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	IETHOD FOR ADAPTIVE CRITICAL PATH DELAY ESTIMATION DURING TIMING- VEN PLACEMENT FOR HIERARCHICAL PROGRAMMABLE LOGICE DEVICES		
Pr	iority of U.S. Provisional Applications No. 60/228,066 filed on 8/24/00 and 60/261,153 filed on 2, 2001 is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e).		
Application	on Elements:		
	35 Pages of Specification, Claims and Abstract 8 Sheets of formal Drawings Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney		
	Separate Declaration		
Accompar	aying Application Parts:		
	Do not publish this application. Nonpublication Request is attached.		
	Assignment and Assignment Recordation Cover Sheet (recording fee of \$40.00 enclosed)		
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	37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement by Assignee		
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	Preliminary Amendment		
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## Fee Calculation (37 CFR § 1.16)

	Applicant is entitled to S	Small Entity Status under	37 C.F.R. §1.27.
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	(Col. 1) Total Claims		(Col. 2) Claims	(Col. 3) Present Extra	Rate	Additional Fee
TOTAL	25	MINUS	20	= 5	x 18	90
INDEP.	4	MINUS	3	= 1	x 80	80
[] First presentation of multiple dependent claim \$270						0
Basic Filing Fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.16(a) \$710					710.00	
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